



## BARCLAYS LEAGUE

BOLTON WANDERERS

v

ROTHERHAM UNITED

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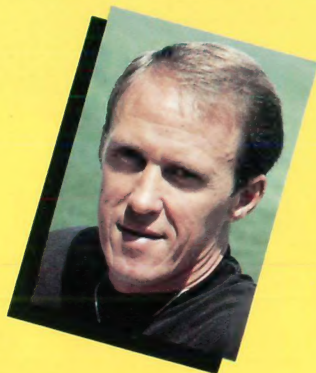
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# PHIL'S PAGE



In welcoming Billy McEwan and his boys for the second time in less than a fortnight I am fully aware of the fact that, having beaten them here in the Leyland DAF Cup and that they were beaten in the last minute of their game at the weekend, they will be determined to bounce back. I forecast a very tight game between our two sides last week and I'm sure this afternoon's game will be equally tough.

We were less fortunate than most at the weekend because our game at

Leyton Orient fell foul of the bad weather.

I would like to say now that I felt extremely sorry for our fans who travelled down for the game. Unfortunately we could not have informed them of the postponement before they left and, when it came down to a final decision on whether the game went ahead, the decision was completely out of our hands.

I know it was annoying from the fans' point of view because they had a wasted journey and the expense. What was annoying from my point of view was that, had the match been due to kick off at 4 o'clock, the pitch might have been fit for play. It was just a case of being in the wrong place at the wrong time.

You can never legislate for bad weather. I recall an occasion at my previous club when we travelled up to Newcastle for a game only to have it called off because the wind was blowing material off the roof of the stand.

Sometimes things are completely out of your control and Saturday's was just one of those things. The club has been happy, however to go some way towards re-imbursing some of those fans who were disappointed by the postponement. I accept that those fans who make their own various ways to our games have missed out but there really is no way we could have extended the offer beyond our official Travel Club members.

Maybe those who travel independently might consider using the Travel Club facilities in future, I don't know. Each to his own, but I sincerely hope that all our supporters appreciate the gesture the club made in these circumstances.

It shows the on-going relationship that I am keen to strengthen between the club and the supporters. I keep saying how important a part you all have to play.

I make no bones about it. Without your support we are nothing.

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## NEWS DESK NEWS DESK



**Stuart Storer**

*Scorer of the winner when we beat Rotherham in the Leyland DAF Cup ten days ago.*

**Good Luck to goal keeper Kevin Rose who joined Halifax last week on a months loan.**

### SUNDAY BEST

The 1-1 draw at Bristol Rovers a fortnight ago was the sixth occasion that the Wanderers have been involved in a Sunday fixture and it is a sequence that has seen them unbeaten.

In January 1974 then Second Division Bolton defeated First Division Stoke City 3-2 at Burnden in the FA Cup before 39,138. Two weeks later the Wanderers came from behind to defeat Bristol City 2-1 again at Burnden.

The following month the Wanderers fought back from a two goal deficit to draw 2-2 with Swindon Town at the County Ground.

In April 1981 Bolton again came from behind to draw 2-2 at Orient, a result which assured Second Division safety but an identical result in May 1987, against Aldershot at Burnden, meant relegation to Division Four.

### PHIL'S TOPS!

*Bury captain Andy Hill was asked to name the best player in his position in the Third Division in a recent Shakers programme. Andy plumped for Bolton skipper Phil Brown.*

### — TAYLOR REPORT — LEAGUE SEEK NATIONAL INITIATIVE ON PLANNING

Last week's news that Charlton Athletic's plans to move back to the Valley were being frustrated by Greenwich Council's refusal to sanction re-development plans typifies the immediate problems facing professional football as it attempts to come to terms with the implications of the Taylor report. As we highlighted, progressive clubs are experiencing opposition to their planning applications right across the country.

The Football League raised this issue with the Secretary of State, Chris Patten, last November, and, indeed, he was sympathetic to football's case. But subsequent discussions with Department of Environment officials have so far failed to bear fruit.

Further meetings are planned with the D.O.E., and with both the Association of Metropolitan Authorities and the Association of District Councils in an attempt to find a way forward. The League feel, however, that a co-ordinated national approach to planning applications is absolutely essential if clubs are to realise their ambitions and build for the future.

Surely, Lord Justice Taylor's Report has served to emphasise the need for a more forward-thinking policy than the parochial attitude demonstrated in the Charlton case!





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## BURNDEN SEVENS

### Monteraze Premier Division

Deane F.C. narrowed the gap at the top of five point with a 2-0 victory over the Health Service with goals from Mel Wilson and Tom Burtonwood, to finish a comfortable second to champions Morris Green.

The completed their fixtures with a 1-1 draw against Brightmet Utd; Steven Kemp netting for Green, Jason Barlow for Utd.

Collie Carpets, The Health Service and Stags Head are relegated to the First Division. Stags Head have the consolation of winning the Sportsmanship Award for this Division.

### R.S. League First Division

Campbells Seven added the Sportsmanship Award to the championship they sewed up last week, but went down 2-0 to runners up M & R Wanderers in their final fixture. Goals by Andrew Roberts and Phil Loftus.

Aalco secured a promotion place into the Premier Division beating The Duke 3-1, Gary Harper (2) Simon Nicklin (1) the scorers. Paul Baxendale netted for the Duke.

### Sunday League T.P. Contracts

Only three fixtures were played due to the Wanderers' rearranged fixture at Bristol.

Heaton Casuals made Morris Green's task that much easier in finishing six men.

Although they went down 5-2 they worked hard and gave good account of themselves scoring twice through Gary Haslam and Andy Taylor. Steven Kemp, Wayne Kennedy, Fitzroy Barnes, Tony Ashbarry and an own goal by Heaton's Gordon Seymore were the scorers for Morris Green.

## BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION 3 FACTS AND FIGURES

### Top Scorers

- 49 - Rotherham U.
- 43 - Tranmere R.
- 41 - Bury
- 39 - Bolton W.
- Brentford
- Notts Co.

### Most Goals Conceded

- 47 - Preston N.E.
- 41 - Brentford
- 40 - Leyton Orient
- 38 - Mansfield T.
- 37 - Cardiff C.
- Chester C.

### Most Wins: 15-Bristol C.

14-Notts. Co. 12-Hudd'sfield T.

### Most Defeats: 14-Mansfield T.

13-Brentford, Leyton Orient, Preston NE.

**Most Draws:** 10-Bristol R., Bolton W., Crewe A., Fulham, Reading, Wigan A.

**Most Home Wins:** 9-Bristol C., Notts. Co.

**Most Home Draws:** 6-four teams

**Most Home Defeats:** 7-Walsall

**Most Away Wins:** 7-Bury

**Most Away Draws:** 6-four teams

**Most Away Defeats:** 10-Leyton O., Preston N.E.

### Most Home Points:

30 (W9 D3 L1) Bristol C.

### Most Away Points:

22 (W7 D1 L5) Bury

### Top Individual Scorers (Lge only)

16 - Williamson (Rotham U.)

13 - McGinlay (Shrewsbury T)

Robinson (Bury)

12 - Holdsworth (Brentford)

Taylor (Bristol C.)

11 - Barnes (Northampton T.)

Muir (Tranmere R.)

10 - Bailey (Birmingham C.)

Philliskirk (Bolton W.)

Pike (Cardiff C.)

### Highest Attendances

17,432 Bristol C. v Bristol R.

12,244 Swansea C. v Cardiff C.

11,994 Bristol C. v Bolton W.

11,083 Bristol C. v Preston N.E.

11,277 Birm'gham C. v Bristol C.

### Lowest Attendances

1,722 Chester C. v Leyton O.

1,882 Chester C. v Birm'gham C.

2,019 Wigan A. v Reading

2,034 Wigan A. v Swansea C.

2,135 Chester C. v Fulham

### Highest Avege. Home Att.

9,751 Bristol C.

8,595 Birmingham C.

6,934 Bolton W.

6,932 Tranmere R.

6,562 Preston N.E.

### Lowest Avege. Home Att.

2,336 Chester C.

2,511 Wigan A.

### Atts. of 10,000 plus:

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# PLAYER PROFILE

## ROBERT SAVAGE



**Name:** Robert James Savage

**Place/Date of Birth:** Liverpool/8.1.61.

**Married:** Yes, to Pam.

**Children:** Yes, David 8, Hayley 5, James 11 mths

**Favourite Other Team:** Liverpool

**Favourite Away**

**Ground:** Anfield, Wembley.

**Best Player you have seen in your position:**

Ray Kennedy

**Best Goal scored and**

**how:** Volley in the warm up at Wembley.

**Best Goal seen:**

Kenny Dalglish, against Brugge, Euro Cup Final Wembley.

**Best Sporting Moment outside Football:**

Beating Felgate at Snooker

**The Liveliest Character you have met in football:** Sumo Morgan

**Details of your First Match:** The Nomads U-9's, 1969.

**Your worst moment on the football field:** All the injuries I have had.

**The funniest incident you have seen on a football pitch:** Dave (The Cat) Felgate putting a wall up.

**Your best pal in football:** Felgate, Brookman

**The best and worst dressers among your team mates:**

Ian (Stinky) Stevens best, Phil Brown.

**Do you have any hobbies:** Snooker, Polo, Hockey, Tennis, Snakes and Ladders.

**With which sports star would you like to change places for a day?:** Mike Tyson

**Your favourite newspaper:** Pink Echo

**Your favourite holiday spot:** Butlins, China, Japan, USA, Africa,

**Biggest risk taken in your life:** Going for a drink with Dave Felgate, seeing him buy a round.

**Happiest moment outside football:** Watching my children being born.





# VISITORS FILE VISITORS

## ROTHERHAM UNITED



We welcome the players, officials and supporters of Rotherham United to Burnden Park for the second time in under a fortnight. The Millers will be eager to avenge their defeat in the Leyland DAF Cup and get their promotion campaign back on the rails.

The highest scoring team in the Third Division, Rotherham have won only two of their last ten games. Last Saturday they went down 1-2 at home to Notts County with Dean Yates scor-

ing a last minute winner. It was a bitter disappointment for the majority of Rotherham's second largest crowd of the season, 7251.

Rotherham bounced back from the disappointment of relegation in 1988 to win the Fourth Division Championship in some style last season. Manager Billy McEwan, the former Sheffield United boss, has moulded an impressive all round side which has earned a reputation for entertaining football.

### Form Guide

#### Last Ten League Games

Bristol C.	(a)	D	0-0
Huddersfield T.	(h)	D	0-0
Mansfield T.	(a)	L	1-3
Reading	(a)	L	2-3
Bristol R.	(h)	W	3-2
Brentford	(a)	L	2-4
Wigan A.	(h)	L	1-2
Preston N.E.	(a)	W	1-0
Tranmere R.	(h)	D	0-0
Notts. Co.	(h)	L	1-2

#### Goalscorers 1989-90

League 49: Williamson 16, Buckley 6, Mendonca 5, Goodwin 4, Barnsley 3, Evans 3, Johnson 2, Hazel 2, OG 2, Dempsey 1, Heard 1, Scott 1, Robinson 1, Pepper 1, Goater 1.

Cup (15): Williamson 3, Mendonca 2, Hazel 2, Greulich 2, OG 2, Barnsley 1, Scott 1, Robinson 1, Evans 1.

**Kelham O'Hanlon** made his Rotherham debut at Burnden Park in the opening game of the 1985-86 season. The former Middlesbrough goalkeeper was beaten by a Tony Caldwell shot early in the proceedings but went on to have a fine game and has been the Millers' regular number one ever since. In 1988 he made his international debut

for the Republic of Ireland against Israel and has now made nearly 200 League appearances for Rotherham.

Right back **Billy Russell** made his League bow with Doncaster in August 1979 after spells as a teenager with Everton and Celtic. The Glasgow born defender went on to make 244 League appearances for Rovers before moving to Scunthorpe. He joined Rotherham in the 1988 close season and missed only two League games in the Championship campaign, passing the landmark of 400 League games late in the season.

**Martin Scott** is a Sheffield born left sided defender who figured regularly in Rotherham's side in the second half of last season and has been an integral member of the first team again this season. The 22 year old was a former apprentice at Millmoor.

Central defender **Nigel Johnson** is another local product who has been a regular member of the side since returning to Millmoor in 1987 from Manchester City, where he made only four League appearances. This season he played his 150th League game for the Millers. Johnson is partnered in the centre of defence by **Ronnie Robinson**, a close season £40,000 signing from West Brom. The Sunderland born defender played previously for Leeds and Doncaster Rovers and only moved to the Hawthorns in March 1989. This season he has missed only a handful of games for his new club.

**Nigel Pepper** is a 21 year old Rotherham born midfielder player who came up through the apprentice ranks at Millmoor and is beginning to stake a claim for a regular first team place. The experienced **Tony Greulich** missed the Leyland DAF Cup tie between the clubs due to suspension. The Paddington born midfielder first played against the Wanderers in his first season in League football, for Orient, in April 1975 at Brisbane Road. He subsequently moved on to Luton Town, Brighton, West Brom and Manchester City before arriving at Millmoor in 1987. A veteran of over 500 League games, Tony also won 44 caps for Eire between 1976-86. **Shaun Goodwin** is a 20 year old local product who established himself in the Rotherham midfield last season when he made 41 League

### FACT FILE

Season	Div.	Position	League		Most Apps	Top Scorer
			Lge Cup	FA Cup		
1984-85	3	12th	3	1	Mimms 46	Simmons 12
1985-86	3	14th	1	4	O'Hanlon 46	Tynan 13
1986-87	3	14th	2	1	Pickering 46, Dungworth 46	Evans 9
1987-88	3	21st	2	2	Gooding 46, Pugh 46	Haycock 12
1988-89	4	1st	2	2	O'Hanlon 40, Douglas 40	Williamson 27
					O'Hanlon 46	





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appearances. A regular again this season, when he has chipped in with some useful goals, he had a fine game in the Leyland DAF Cup tie.

**Andy Bamsley** made his Rotherham debut at Burnden Park in August 1985 and after only one season at Millmoor the former Denaby United defender moved on to Sheffield United. He returned to Rotherham in December 1988 and missed only one game in the second half of Rotherham's championship season. **John Buckley** wore the number seven shirt in the Leyland DAF tie but operated on the left wing. The Glasgow born forward came into the Football League with Doncaster Rovers, signing from Partick Thistle in 1984. After a spell at Leeds United, he joined Rotherham in November 1987 and has been a key member of the first team squad ever since. Last season he made 19 full appearances plus a further 17 as substitute but this term he has been a regular member of the starting line up. **Des Hazel** wore the number eleven shirt in the cup tie but played on the right wing. The Bradford born forward made a handful of League appearances for Sheffield Wednesday, the club he joined as an apprentice, and joined Rotherham in July 1988. Last season he played in 42 League games and has again figured prominently in the first team this season.

Star striker **Bobby Williamson** was an astute signing from West Brom in 1988. In his first season as

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Back Row-left to right: Phil Henson (Ass. Manager), Ian Bailey (Physio), Billy Russell, Pat Heard, Ronnie Robinson, Nigel Johnson, Billy Mercer, Stewart Evans, Kelham O'Hanlon, Paul Haycock, Andy Barnsley, Neil Richardson, Nigel Pepper, John Breckin (Youth Team Coach).

Front Row: Simon Thompson, John Buckley, Shaun Goodwin, Martin Scott, Tony Grealish, Billy McEwan (Manager), Bobby Williamson, Clive Mendonca, Des Hazel, Mark Dempsey, Andy Ainscow.

Millmoor the Glasgow born forward scored 27 League goals to spearhead Rotherham's promotion campaign and he has found few problems in translating this prolific form in the Third Division, with 19 goals in League and Cup so far this season. He formerly played for Clydebank and Rangers, with 40 goals in 111 Scottish League games, before his move to The Hawthorns (53 games—11 goals). The Rotherham penalty taker is partnered up front by the 6ft. 4ins. **Stewart Evans** who was a key figure in Wimbledon's rise from Division Four to Division One. Stewart scored one of the Don's goals in their 4-0 win over Bolton in January 1984 and notched 50 goals in 175 League games for the Plough Lane club. After short spells at West Brom and Plymouth, he rejoined Rotherham, where he was once an apprentice without making a League appearance, in November 1988.

**Mark Dempsey** is a midfield player who spent his apprenticeship at Old Trafford. The 26 year old began to play regular first team football when he moved to Sheffield United and after 63 League games for the Blades he followed the path of manager Billy McEwan by joining Rotherham in October 1988. **Shaun Goater** came over to this country from Bermuda for trials with Manchester United. After a learning spell

at Old Trafford he joined Rotherham this season following a loan period. The 19 year old striker has begun to feature in the Millers' first team squad in recent weeks.

Rotherham recently signed right back **Ally Pickering** from HFS Loans League side Buxton. The fee of £16,000 down with more to follow if and when Pickering makes a certain number of appearances, plus a percentage of any future transfer, is a record for a defender moving out of the HFS Loans League. Pickering joined Buxton from Droylesden in June 1988. **Pat Heard** scored Rotherham's winner at Millmoor against the Wanderers in September. The goal ended Bolton's run of 20 League games undefeated. Heard is an experienced and versatile player who numbers Everton, Aston Villa, Sheffield Wednesday, Newcastle United, Middlesbrough and Hull City among his former clubs. **Clive Mendonca** is a former Sheffield United striker who cost Rotherham £15,000 in March 1988.

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# MATCH REPORT

**Saturday, 4th February.**

BOLTON's visit to LEYTON ORIENT hit a last minute snag—the weather. Incessant rain hit southern England causing as many as 17 games to be called off due to waterlogged pitches.

The Pools Panel came to the rescue and predicted an away win for this non-starter.

Six games were affected in the THIRD DIVISION in all but the one's that did take place had some bearing on the promotion chase.

Today's visitors ROTH-ERHAM faced a tricky encounter against NOTTS COUNTY at Millmoor and surrendered to a last minute decider from County who move to second place in the table. HUDDERSFIELD also gained ground by defeating TRANMERE and currently hold third place. CHESTER reached a mid-table position following a 3-1 home victory

over John McGrath's PRESTON side at Gresty Road. This may have prompted the Preston boss to prise the experienced Sammy McIlroy from Bury on a free transfer during this week and also to appoint former Wanderers favourite Frank Worthington as part time coach.

Neighbours BURY lost further ground at Gigg Lane following a scoreless draw with SHREWSBURY but despite a loss of home form of late, still lie in contention.

Shakers boss Sam Ellis introduced two new faces in Mark Patterson, a reputed £80,000 signing from Preston and Mark Spink on loan from Aston Villa. Newly appointed 'Shrews' manager Asa Hartford will have been happy to have salvaged another away point despite having to cope with a touch-line adjustment affecting the width of the pitch.

BLACKPOOL continued to improve their home form at the expense of Mansfield following their 3-1 victory as Cup fever mounts in anticipation of the visit of Arsenal.

Taking a glance into DIVISION TWO locally, Bolton-born Paul Moulden returned to Lancashire in the colours of BOURNEMOUTH at Ewood Park. The former Manchester City starlet grabbed a 49th minute opener which was eventually cancelled out in the 61st minute but Rovers failed to improve and the visitors will

have been happy to take a point back South.

Joe Royle's OLDHAM are becoming renowned for their play to the whistle approach. At WEST BROM they recovered on two occasions to share the spoils and hold onto third place.

Promotion candidates SHEFFIELD UNITED faced lowly HULL at Boothferry Park but had to be content with the single point in this scoreless encounter.

The Divisions highest attendance of 22,000 filed into Vale park for the 'derby' with STOKE CITY. Alan Ball is desperately trying to guide his CITY side clear of the drop and his encouragement from the dug out helped his players earn a vital away point in this 0-0 draw.

The FIRST DIVISION scene witnessed two local 'derby's' in Manchester and Merseyside. At Old Trafford Alex Ferguson's UNITED failed to gain ground on Howard Kendall's improving CITY. In the end the 1-1 outcome was a satisfying result for two teams struggling for their lives but Kendall must have been bemused by his side's missed chances. At Anfield LIVERPOOL overcame rivals EVERTON by a 2-1 scoreline. This 142nd League 'derby' was eventually settled as a result of a Peter Beardsley disputed penalty following the opener from John Barnes. Everton's Graeme Sharp scored the Toffemen's solitary reply.

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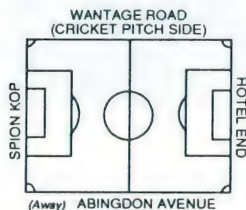
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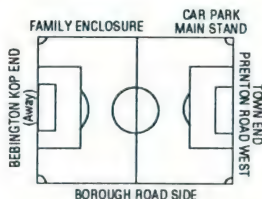
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**Family Facilities:**

**Location of Stand:** Abingdon Avenue side

**Capacity of Stand:** 360

**Away Families:** None

**Disabled Supporters:**

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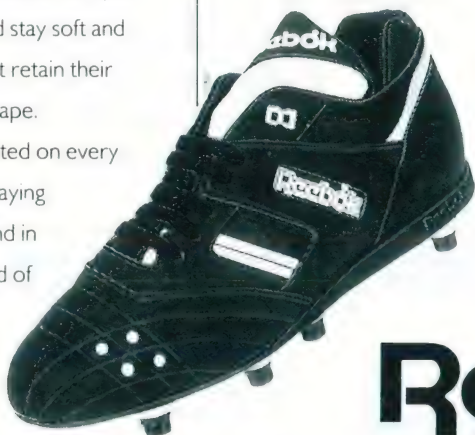
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**10th February**



**NAT LOFTHOUSE**  
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**1891**—Bolton found themselves a goal down inside the first minute on their visit to Sunderland. It was the home team who secured the points with a second goal on what was the Wanderers first League game for a month.

**1894**—The Wanderers attempted to get Newcastle United to switch the 2nd round FA Cup tie to Pikes Lane due to the condition of the ground at St. James' Park. The North Easterners would have none of it so the Wanderers travelled to Newcastle where they won 2-1 with goals from Hughes and Turner, a third round tie with Liverpool now awaited them.

**1904**—Southern Leaguers Reading were at last seen off in the First Round of the FA Cup. After a 1-1 draw in Berkshire Bolton came through 3-2 in the replay at Burnden with goals from Freebairn, Marsh and Yenson.

**1917**—A 3-1 home defeat by Rochdale meant that Bolton had now gone eight games without a win in the Lancashire War competition. Len Appleton was the Wanderers goalgetter.

**1923**—League form improved with a 2-1 home success over Burnley. David Jack hit his fourth goal in the last three games whilst Joe Smith

netted for the second game in succession.

**1934**—It was Burnley who were once again handed a defeat on their visit to Burnden, this time by 4-1 in a Second Division encounter with Jack Milsom netting two, Ray Westwood and G.T. Taylor hitting the others.

**1945**—The double was completed over Tranmere Rovers in a Northern Section game at Burnden. A week earlier the Wanderers had won 4-1 in Birkenhead with Nat Lofthouse getting a hat trick. On this day they won 6-1 with Nat striking four goals one of which came from the penalty spot. Mal Barrass scored the other two goals.

**1962**—West Brom hit the Wanderers for six at the Hawthorns running out by 6-2. Roy Hartle chipped in with his second goal of the season whilst leading scorer Fred Hill netted the other for Bolton.

**1968**—A Gordon Taylor penalty earned Bolton a point from a 1-1 draw on a visit to Blackpool in the Second Division.

**1973**—Fellow promotion candidates Grimsby Town were defeated 2-0 at Burnden Park thanks to goals from Alan Waldron, direct from a corner, and Garry Jones.



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**Bolton . . . 3**  
**Cardiff . . . 1**



ABOVE LEFT: David Reeves turns in a header across the Cardiff goal.  
BELOW LEFT: Paul Comstive shot is blocked by the Cardiff defenders.  
ABOVE RIGHT: David Reeves watches Philliskirk shot go wide of the Cardiff goal.  
BELOW RIGHT: Philliskirk finds the Cardiff net to score Bolton's 2nd goal.





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# Safe Hans

**"It all looks set to  
be another tough  
game"**



What a let down last Saturday was when after travelling all the way down to Leyton Orient the game was called off due to the excessive amount of rain which had engulfed London for the previous few hours. With no rain in the North West it soon hit us on our journey down the motorway and around the Luton area worse was to come when heavy snow made driving conditions even more hazardous. The sleet and snow left us as we approached London but by then radio reports were informing us of a number of League games postponed in London but at this stage around noon the Orient game was still on.

Just as we were approaching Leyton High Street the one o'clock News brought us the dreaded news 'the game was off'. A wasted journey! But we decided to call at the Ground any way; the Club Office was open but deserted, until finally someone arrived only to inform us that we couldn't even buy a programme off them because they had been put away until the re-arranged date. That just about made the day complete, but unlike the Tranmere postponement it was a long ride home.

Turning our attention towards this afternoon's visitors, we welcome back Rotherham United who gave us such a tough match in the Leyland DAF Cup ten days ago. A Stuart Storer goal

gave us victory that night and with it a tough away draw in the Northern Semi-Finals. Rotherham have since slipped up in the League to promotion rivals Notts County and so will no doubt be looking to make up lost ground today. So it all looks set to be another tough game and with Huddersfield down here on Tuesday night, six very important points are at stake and everybody here at Burnden realises that.

With Rotherham taking the points at Millmoor back in September in what was a fine Bolton away performance the lads will of course be looking for revenge and in particular Robbie Savage, if he gets the chance to get in the action today because that day Robbie suffered a very nasty injury which until recently has kept him out of first team action. Manager Phil Neal must be very pleased with the current situation of having a fully fit squad which of course puts pressure on the first team eleven to perform consistently well each game or risk the possibility of losing their place to the lads knocking on the first team door.

Enjoy the game today and keep up the tremendous support of which the players really do appreciate. The recent away game at Bristol Rovers really summed it up with the fans quite clearly out-singing the home supporters.

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## NEWS



### PONTIN'S LEAGUE FIXTURES 1989/90

Aug.	23	Sheffield W.	A	1-1
	30	Stoke C.	H	3-4
Sep.	6	West Bromwich A.	A	1-5
	13	York City	H	2-3
	19	Burnley	A	1-0
	20	Littlewoods Cup 2/1L		
	27	Blackpool	H	0-1
Oct.	2	Mansfield T.	A	4-2
	4	Littlewoods Cup 2/2L		
	11	Preston N.E.	H	0-0
	18	Port Vale	A	1-1
	25	Wolverhampton W.	H	1-2
Nov.	8	Wigan Ath.	H	P
	15	Sunderland	A	2-3
	22	Scunthorpe Utd.	A	1-3
	29	Barnsley	H	1-0
Dec.	5	Grimsby T.	A	P
	13	Middlesborough	H	1-4
	19	Rotherham Utd.	A	P
Jan.	3	Stoke City	A	3-4
	10	Sheffield W.	H	2-4
	17	York City	A	1-1
	24	West Brom. Albion	H	P
	31	Burnley	H	P
Feb.	7	Blackpool	A	3-1
	12	Preston N.E.	A	
	14	Littlewoods Cup SF/1L		
	21	Mansfield T.	H	
	28	Barnsley	A	
Mar.	5	Port Vale	H	
	14	Scunthorpe Utd.	H	
	28	Wolverhampton W.	A	
Apr.	4	Grimsby T.	H	
	10	Middlesborough	A	
	18	Rotherham Utd.	H	
	30	Wigan Ath.	A	
May	2	Sunderland	H	

17th January, 1990.

York City Reserves . . . . . 1

Bolton Wanderers Reserves . . 1

A penalty goal four minutes from time by Paul Hughes was enough to earn the Wanderers a point from a 1-1 draw with York City at Bootham Crescent and end a run of three consecutive defeats.

As in recent games the Wanderers did more than enough to have secured maximum points but Scott Endersby in the York goal was in top form.

Mike Jeffrey returned to the reserves after injury and he was denied by Endersby when he collected a powerful volley at the second attempt. The York keeper then got down well to a Robbie Savage effort, whilst at the other end Kevin Rose made an important save with York's only first half chance, Iain Dunn coming off second best in a one against one situation.

The Wanderers continued to be on top during the second half but Endersby again denied them with a fine save from a Mike Jeffrey shot and then preventing a flying header from Nicky Spooner entering the net at the rear post.

Iain Dunn should have put York in front in the 72nd minute when he collected a wayward back pass from Robbie Savage. Fortunately Darren Oliver was on hand to clear off the line but from

the resulting corner Dunn headed York in front with a free header from 12 yards out.

Neil Fisher was unlucky to see an 82nd minute free kick cleared off the line but four minutes later the Wanderers got their reward.

A right wing cross from Paul Hughes was handled by City centre half Richard Crossley and the Wanderers full back stepped up to send Endersby the wrong way from his penalty kick.

### TEAMS

**Bolton:** Rose, P. Hughes, Oliver, Spooner, Came, Stubbs, Henshaw, Savage, Brookman, Jeffrey, Fisher.

**Subs:** K. Hughes, Mason.

**York:** Endersby, Wood, Pybus, Reid, Crossley, Greenhough, Curtis, Ede, Naylor, Dunn, Bushell.

**Subs:** Alker, Woodward.

### PONTIN'S LEAGUE-DIVISION 2

Table as at 4th February, 1990.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Sunderland	22	12	5	5	38	21	41
Wolverhampton W.	21	11	7	3	43	27	40
Sheffield W.	21	12	2	7	44	22	38
Scunthorpe Utd.	20	10	4	6	30	25	34
Rotherham Utd.	19	10	3	6	27	18	33
Preston N.E.	21	9	4	8	24	31	31
Middlesbrough	21	7	9	5	30	20	30
Mansfield T.	21	9	3	9	29	39	30
Stoke City	21	8	5	8	33	26	29
Blackpool	22	7	8	7	25	33	29
West Brom A.	19	7	7	5	40	25	28
Barnsley	21	8	3	10	29	29	27
Port Vale	19	7	5	7	37	41	26
Wigan Ath.	18	6	3	9	23	33	21
Burnley	16	6	2	8	19	27	20
York City	20	6	2	12	24	38	20
Bolton Wand.	17	3	4	10	25	38	13
Grimsby Town	19	1	4	14	18	45	7



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# WHERE ARE THEY NOW

## FRANK WORTHINGTON

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This week we feature one of our favourites, Frank Worthington, who was recently Guest of Honour at one of the Wanderers' highly successful Sportsman's Evenings. Full of charisma as usual, Frank revealed he was rejoining Preston North End as a part time coach with manager John McGrath wanting Frank to put special emphasis on the youngsters at Deepdale.

It was of no surprise to hear from a man who has entertained the football public all over this country and the U.S.A. during the past two decades that he is still playing football on Saturdays for Guiseley in the North East Counties League and enjoying every minute of it. He recently had a short spell with local side Radcliffe Boro linking up with former team mate Len Cantello.

Talking fondly of his days at Burnden and his affection for the Club and in particular the supporters who made his stay with the Whites one of the most memorable periods of his career. Nobody will ever forget that unique goal he scored in front of the cameras against Ipswich Town or the fact that he was the First Division's leading scorer in the season that saw Bolton return to

the First Division. The Wanderers' Souvenir Shop in that period cashed in on Frank's esteem by producing 'Frank Worthington is Magic' scarves and it was a sad day for Wanderers fans when Frank took his wandering talents to Birmingham City.

Flamboyant Frank spent what you could call a varied but never-a-dull-moment career from his highlights with England to entertaining crowds in the Fourth Division—that was when he was player manager with Tranmere Rovers—a period that 'Worthy' enjoyed, even though times were hard at Tranmere with money tight and the eventual outcome was of the directors dispensing with his services. Maybe it won't be too long before Frank could get another managerial chance because he has certainly enhanced the game of football during his career, certainly Frank would have another go.

It was certainly a privilege to talk to Frank and a nicer chap to talk to you couldn't have wished to have met. Footballing greats are few and far between but Frank Worthington certainly comes into that category for me and thousands of other Bolton fans who used to chant 'there's only Franky Worth.'

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## RECOLLECTIONS



### **"Bolton's undefeated League run of 20 games"**

Photo: Tony Caldwell heads Bolton's 3,000th League goal at Burnden against Rotherham in January 1985.

The Wanderers will today be looking to repeat their recent Leyland DAF Cup success over Rotherham United and record their first League win against the Yorkshire side in six attempts.

The last League success came in January 1985 when two goals from Tony Caldwell gave Bolton a 2-0 win at Burnden. His first goal that day was the club's 3000th League goal at Burnden Park.

Since then United have twice visited and on each occasion have taken a point from a 1-1 draw in August 1985 and a scoreless draw in March 1987.

During the same period the Wanderers visits to Millmoor have proved fruitless, all ending in defeat and without managing to pierce the home team defence. The nearest Bolton have come to breaking the sequence was earlier this season when Steve Thompson missed a penalty and Rotherham went on to

win by virtue of a Pat Heard goal to end Bolton's undefeated League run of 20 games.

Indeed Bolton's only victory at Millmoor in 15 League and Cup visits was in August 1966 when a goal from Gordon Taylor, in the final minute of the game settled the issue.

Rotherham's first visit to Burnden Park was in October 1964 at Second Division level. Bolton won 2-0 with Francis Lee converting a penalty, Lee finding the net for the fifth consecutive game, Gordon Taylor also getting onto the scoresheet.

United registered their first win at Burnden in April 1966 by 3-1 to complete the double and they remained undefeated in their next three visits.

Bolton ended this run in November 1972 in bizarre circumstances. Trevor Womble had given United a 38th minute lead but the Wanderers hit back to equalise through John Byrom half an hour later. The game seemed to be heading for a draw when four minutes from time United keeper Jim McDonagh, later to play for the Wanderers, placed the ball for a goal kick. Unfortunately for him the ball hadn't gone out of play and the referee waved play on which allowed Garry Jones to put the ball into an empty net for the winner whilst McDonagh's back was turned.

Our overall League record against Rotherham is as follows:

	P	I	W	D	L	F	A
Home	12	4	5	3	16	14	
Away	13	1	4	8	7	20	
Total	25	5	9	11	23	34	





An air of unexpectancy again filled Burnden Park for the opening day of the season when the visitors were near neighbours Bury. The offside rule had been changed so that no player could be given offside when in his own half, but this mattered little to Bury who went in 4-1 up at half time.

Despite Albert Shepherd grabbing a hat trick, the Shakers eventually ran out 6-3 winners, with their inside forward Billy Hibbert also netting three.

Two further reverses, including one by 4-0 at home to Liverpool, were incurred before the first win of the season was registered thanks to a Shepherd goal at Middlesbrough.

The Burnden crowd didn't get to see a victory until the middle of October when a John Owen goal was enough to defeat Nottingham Forest. Sam Greenhalgh rejoined the Wanderers after 18 months with Aston Villa thus strengthening the half back line.

By the end of the year the Wanderers were placed in mid table with a total of 22 points from 23 games but by the end of March had slumped to bottom having collected only a further 3 points from 8 games.

The Wanderers, during this period, had also bowed out of the FA Cup in identical circumstances as the previous season, losing

to Everton in a third round replay.

The critics returned to the fore attacking the side as shapeless, the half back line was accused of being inept and Edmundson, the goalkeeper, bewildered. Even leading scorer Albert Shepherd took some stick, being accused of selfishness, despite being one of the Country's leading goalgetter.

Relegation looked a certainty after yet another home defeat this time at the hands of Sunderland. There was however a change of fortunes, not dissimilar to 1903, five points being collected in the first three games of April.

Newcastle United were thumped 4-0 at Burnden with Shepherd scoring his third hat trick of the season and on Good Friday over 27,000 saw the Wanderers defeat eventual League runners up





Aston Villa 3-1 to record their 7th point out of the last 8 games.

The run came to an end when fellow strugglers Bristol City won 2-0 at Ashton Gate leaving the League table on the evening of April 18th 1908 looking like this:-

Pos. Pl. W D L F A Pt.

Bolton	17	36	14	4	18	50	58	32
Bristol C.	18	35	10	11	14	51	61	31
Notts. Co.	19	35	11	8	16	36	49	30
Birm'am	20	37	9	12	16	40	55	30

The Wanderers then faced League Champions Manchester United at Burnden and forced a creditable draw whilst Notts County lost at Everton and Bristol City

## SEASON 1907/08



### SAM GREENHALGH

*Returned  
from  
Aston Villa*

drew with Manchester City.

And so the scene was set for a relegation cliff-hanger with Notts visiting Burnden in the Wanderers final League match of the season. A draw would have ensured Bolton's First Division safety but Notts took maximum points thanks to a fiftieth minute goal from Cantrell. Bristol City defeated Birmingham 4-0 in their final game and so Bolton's last chance hinged on Chelsea avoiding defeat against Notts County at Stamford Bridge.

Unfortunately Notts again tested victory winning 2-1, thanks to a dubious penalty, and the Wanderers again fell in the Second Division along with Birmingham.



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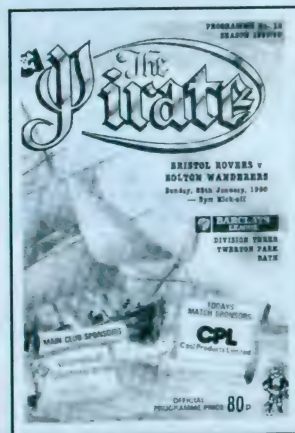
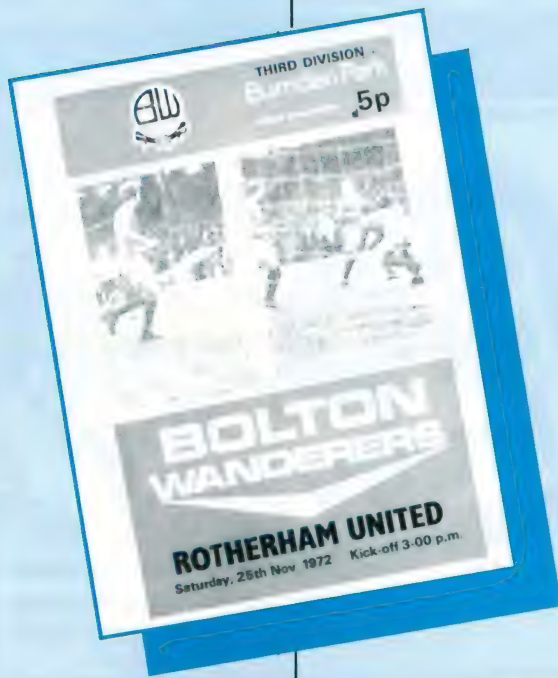
**Bolton Wanderers . . 2**  
**(Byrom, G.Jones)**

**Rotherham Utd. . . . 1**  
**(Womble)**

Probably one of the biggest programmes in the League (48 pages) can be found at Bristol Rovers, priced at 80p. It contains contributions from 13 different people, a fine team effort, varied right from the word go, it is a pleasant read if not one of the most in depth. 'On Board Today' was an informative read on the Wanderers while 'Hearsay' featured a review on the fanzine 'Normid Normad' in which the reviewer was very impressed. Informative articles came in the shape of 'Captains Log', 'Team Talk', 'Buried Treasure' and 'Twerton View'. The design and layout of the programme are somewhat different to other clubs and may be not for the better but there is no doubting the enthusiasm that goes into the programme.

To say the Club has done well since leaving Eastville to play at non-league Bath City's ground is an understatement, but reading the issue you can't help hearing the calls from the fans for some new faces after the sale of star players, Martyn and Penrice.

Overall, probably worth 80p because of it's 48 pages, but there's no doubting the effort and work put into it by everyone at Bristol Rovers.





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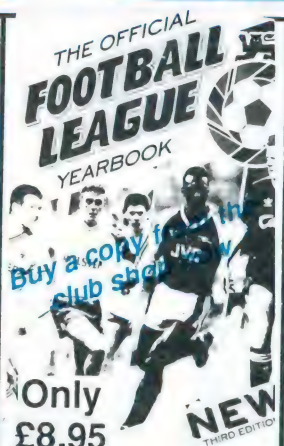


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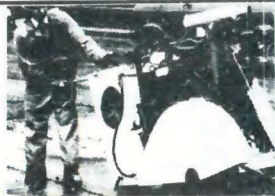
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# FIXTURES

## BOLTON WANDERERS STATISTICS 1989-90

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14
Aug. 19	Cardiff												
25	RUHAM												
26	RUHAM												
Sept. 2	ROCHDALE (LC)												
6	WARRINGTON												
13	ROCHDALE (LC)												
15	ROCHDALE (LC)												
18	WATFORD (2nd Rd-1)												
23	LEYTON ORIENT												
26	Notts County (Tue)												
30	MANCHESTER UNITED (LC 2nd Rd-2)												
Oct. 7	WALSLEY (Tue)												
14	Crew Alex.												
17	MANCHESTER UNITED												
21	CHESTER CITY												
24	Sheff Wed (Tue)												
31	WALSLEY (Tue)												
Nov. 4	SWANSEA CITY												
11	SWANSEA CITY												
14	SWANSEA CITY (FA Cup 1)												
21	SWANSEA CITY (FA Cup 1)												
28	SWANSEA CITY (FA Cup 1)												
Dec. 2	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
5	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
12	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
19	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
26	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
Jan. 2	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
9	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
16	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
23	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
30	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
Feb. 6	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
13	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
20	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
27	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
Mar. 6	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
13	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
20	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
27	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
Apr. 3	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
10	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
17	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
24	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
May 1	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
8	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
15	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
22	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
29	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
Jun. 5	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												
12	Wigan (Tue) (LC DAF)												

Bolton Wanderers  
v  
Birmingham City

Saturday, 24th February, 1990.

THIS GAME IS ALL TICKET

May 5 Swansea City  
TBA FA Cup Final  
READING





# Wanderers INFO

## Junior Whites



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### TODAY'S REFEREE

**J. C. DEAKIN**  
(South Glamorgan)

Mr. Deakin commenced refereeing in 1966 in RAF games and progressed through South Midlands League and Football Combination to Football League Linesmen's List in 1977, moving on to Referees List in 1980. Important matches officiated in include 1989 F.A. Challenge Vase Semi Final. He is married with 2 sons and is an R.A.F. Warrant Officer; interests and hobbies include running, classical music, watching cricket, steam locomotives and railways.



### TODAY'S MASCOT

**Darren Heath**

Darren will be 8 years old tomorrow. He lives in Tyldesley and attends St. Johns C. of E. School, Mosley Common. His favourite player is Julian Darby.

### DIVISION THREE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bristol City	25	15	5	5	34	20	50
Nottingham	26	14	7	5	39	28	49
Huddersfield	25	12	9	4	36	28	45
Bristol R	25	11	10	4	33	20	43
Bolton W	25	11	10	4	39	27	43
Rotherham U	27	11	8	8	40	33	41
Bury	27	11	7	9	41	34	40
Tranmere R	26	11	6	9	43	29	39
Shrewsbury T	26	9	8	9	36	34	35
Birmingham C	25	10	5	10	29	29	35
Brentford	26	10	3	13	39	41	33
Chester	28	8	9	11	28	37	33
Northampton	23	8	7	8	30	31	31
Fulham	26	7	10	9	30	32	31
Wigan Ath	25	7	10	8	27	31	31
Swansea	25	8	6	11	22	36	30
Leyton Orient	26	8	5	13	32	40	29
Preston	26	8	5	13	37	47	29
Crewe Alex	25	6	10	9	28	31	28
Reading	23	6	10	7	26	30	28
Cardiff	24	6	9	9	30	37	27
Blackpool	25	6	8	11	24	31	26
Mansfield	25	7	4	14	25	36	25
Walsall	24	5	7	12	20	35	22

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### NEXT HOME GAMES

**BOLTON WANDERERS v HUDDERSFIELD TOWN**

Barclays League

Tuesday, 13th February, 1990 • Kick-Off 7.30 p.m.

### RESERVES v MANSFIELD TOWN

Pontins League

Wednesday, 21st February, 1990. • Kick-Off 7.00 p.m.



## KIRKBY CENTRAL TEAM SHEET

### **BOLTON WANDERERS** *White Shirts/Blue Shorts*

- 1 Dave FELGATE
- 2 Phil BROWN
- 3 Barry COWDRILL
- 4 Paul COMSTIVE
- 5 Dean CROMBIE
- 6 Mark CAME
- 7 Stuart STORER
- 8 Steve THOMPSON
- 9 David REEVES
- 10 Tony PHILLISKIRK
- 11 Julian DARBY
- 12
- 14

### **TODAYS LINE UP**

### **ROTHERHAM UNITED** *Red Shirts/White Shorts*

- 1 Kelham O'HANLON
- 2 Billy RUSSELL
- 3 Ronnie ROBINSON
- 4 Tony GREALISH
- 5 Nigel JOHNSON
- 6 Martin SCOTT
- 7 John BUCKLEY
- 8 Shaun GOODWIN
- 9 Bobby WILLIAMSON
- 10 Stewart EVANS
- 11 Des HAZEL
- 12
- 14

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